

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

Please add new Paragraph 0000.5 before Paragraph 0001 as follows:

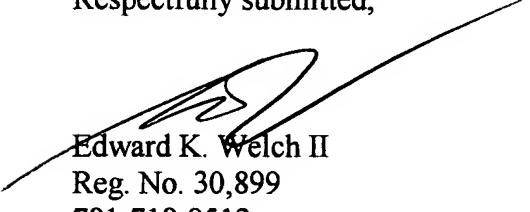
[0000.5] This application is based upon and claims priority from U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/399,997, Holzer et. al., filed July 31, 2002.

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The foregoing amendment merely perfects Applicants claim to the benefit of their earlier filed United States Provisional Patent Application No. 60/399,997. The application shall in all other respects remain as originally filed.

Additionally, Applicants wish to draw the Examiner's attention to copending US Patent Application Serial Number 09/840,859, which corresponds to International Patent Publication Number WO 0183184 cited in Applicants Information Disclosure Statement filed on November 19, 2003.

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